



## The Pax Christi Crossroads Fund

Pax Christi is at a crossroads, and our gifts today will pave the paths upon which future members of our community will walk. As stewards of this community, we are each called to use our time, talent, and treasure to assist those around us and also to look beyond the needs of the moment and use our gifts to develop our own need to give out of our gratitude. We are called to be good stewards of all of our gifts and to share all that we can, however and wherever we can, in much the same way that those who came before us did what they could to serve those who worship at Pax Christi today. In 1984 when the initial building established our presence in Eden Prairie, members of this community generously shared of their resources, providing a worship experience for those who would gather in the future. Again in 1989 and in 1998, the community expanded the facility to meet the needs of future members of this community, those with whom we gather today.

It is clear that there will be no major campaign effort in the foreseeable future. However, it is not enough for us to barely meet the budget year after year, or worse, force leadership to depend upon credit to make ends meet. We must develop reserves that will address the future needs of the building and grounds, so when the need for repair or rehabilitation of a specific piece of equipment, program, or system within this facility arises, we will be able to meet those needs of tomorrow out of the generosity of Pax Christi members today.

The goal is to establish over a period of three years, a pool of \$4 million in funds, of which \$1.5 million will be held in reserve and the remainder used for necessary infrastructure and building needs. Pax Christi's Crossroads Fund provides an extraordinary opportunity for the members of our faith community to move forward the mission and vision of tomorrow's Pax Christi. The gifts shared by our members today will enable this community to journey together through the crossroads.

*I shall be telling this with a sigh somewhere ages and ages hence: Two roads diverged in a wood, and I – I took the one less traveled by, and that has made all the difference.*

–Robert Frost